

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Replace the claims with the following rewritten version:

1. (Currently Amended) Method for accepting and/or authenticating documents, comprising: especially banknotes, wherein
feeding the document is fed to a verification unit by means of an input unit,
authenticating the document, is authenticated and
releasing the document released for further processing,
wherein said characterized in that
authenticating the document the authentication process is performed with a
combination of at least two different verification methods processes.
2. (Currently Amended) Method pursuant to claim 1, wherein the characterized in that
at least two verification methods are selected from the group that comprising
comprises especially size verification, magnetic verification, image verification,
infrared verification, UV verification, and visual verification and others are used.
3. (Currently Amended) Method pursuant to claim 1 or 2, wherein characterized in
that the results of the verification methods are compared.
4. (Currently Amended) Method pursuant to one of the claims 1 through 3, wherein
characterized in that a visual verification method process is conducted.
5. (Currently Amended) Method pursuant to one of the claims 1 through 4, wherein
characterized in that the visual verification method is performed as a function of the
value of the document.
6. (Currently Amended) Method pursuant to one of the claims 1 through 5, wherein
characterized in that the visual verification method is performed as a function of
authentication certainty.

7. (Currently Amended) Method pursuant to ~~one of the claims 1 through 6, wherein characterized in that~~ the document is accepted with positive authentication and rejected with negative authentication.
8. (Currently Amended) Device for ~~accepting and/or authenticating~~ a documents, comprising: especially banknotes, ~~characterized by~~
 - at least two verification stations, each of which performs a different verification process for authentication of the document, and
 - a computer unit for comparing ~~the~~ results of the verification stations.